

Article 38A – Fires and Investigations

38A.

(a) Any fire department in this State may have members trained in response measures involving fire and other emergency techniques. These measures may include, with the approval of the [Superintendent] SECRETARY of the [Maryland] State Police, the use of DEPARTMENT OF [Maryland] State Police helicopters or other equipment.

(b) If the fire chief at any location in this State requests, any fire fighter or member of the DEPARTMENT OF [Maryland] State Police who has been trained in these response measures may function at the location.

DRAFTER'S NOTE:

This section is amended to reflect the establishment of the Department of State Police as a principal department of State government by Chs. 165 and 166, Acts of 1994, to reflect the status of the head of the Department as a Secretary of a principal department of State government, and delete surplus language.

Article 41 – Governor – Executive and Administrative Departments

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(c) During times of public crisis, disaster, rioting, catastrophe or similar public emergency within the State, and when public safety is imperiled, or upon reasonable apprehension of immediate danger thereof, the Governor may proclaim a state of emergency and designate the area involved upon his own volition; or upon the application of the chief executive officer of a county, city or local municipality; or upon the application of the governing body of a county, city or local municipality; or upon the application of the [Superintendent] SECRETARY of the [Maryland] State Police. Following such proclamation, the Governor may promulgate such reasonable orders, rules and regulations as he deems necessary to protect life and property, or to bring the emergency situation within the affected area under control, after reasonable notice of such orders, rules and regulations is given in a paper of general circulation or through television or radio serving the affected area or by circulating notices or by posting signs at conspicuous places within the affected area. Such orders, rules and regulations, by way of enumerated example rather than limitation, may provide for the control of traffic, including public and private transportation, within the affected area; designation of specific zones within the area in which, under necessitous circumstances, the occupancy and use of buildings and vehicles may be controlled; control of the movement of persons or vehicles into, within or from these designated areas; control of places of amusement, of assembly, and of persons on public streets and thoroughfares; establishment of curfews; control of the sale, transportation and use of alcoholic beverages and liquors; control of the possession, sale, carrying and use of firearms or other dangerous weapons and ammunition; and the control of the storage, use and transportation of explosives or inflammable materials or liquids deemed to be dangerous to public safety, which shall include but not be limited to "Molotov cocktails". Such orders, rules and regulations shall be effective from the time and in the manner prescribed in such orders, rules and